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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

EARL BARBER ET AL.

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For: BUILDING BLOCK PLAY SYSTEM

Art Unit: 3711

Examiner: CEGIELNIK, URSZULA M.

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 12, 2007, Applicants hereby provisionally elect, without traverse, species XVI for initial examination in the present application. Claims 1-5, 7-11, 17, 18, 31, 34-36, 38-50, 52-65, 67 and 68 read on the elected species. Applicant believes that claims 1-5, 7-11, 17, 18, 31, 34-36, 38-50, 52-65, 67 and 68 are properly aligned with Species Group XVI and that claims 39, 49, and 61 are generic.

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